

underserved areas, it is clearly a question of degree, rather than an absolute distinction.

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### The Thank You Note

We went to See's Candy.  
 She picked  
 the biggest box.  
 On the note  
 she wrote, "To all the great nurses!"  
 and looked at me for approval.  
 I read what that tiny card really said.  
 "To all the great nurses,  
 not the bossy one,  
 not the one who left two stitches in me,  
 not the one who ripped the bandage off. 'Ouch'  
 No. To all the great nurses,  
 the funny one  
 who had long conversations  
 with the IV machine,  
 big fat chocolates to her.  
 The night nurse who tried to be so quiet,  
 the nurse who brought  
 the two-day-old baby  
 from the next room  
 all wrapped up  
 for me to see,  
 to all the great nurses  
 who never made me feel  
 I was their job,  
 to the so-patient nurses  
 who explained what they were doing.  
 To all the great nurses!  
 Thanks."

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